

**INDIANA TOBACCO USE PREVENTION AND
CESSATION EXECUTIVE BOARD
RESOLUTION 2002-1**

WHEREAS, The Indiana Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Executive Board (hereinafter "Executive Board") was established by the Indiana General Assembly and Governor Frank O'Bannon to create and implement a long range state plan to significantly improve health in Indiana and reduce the disease and economic burden that tobacco use places on Hoosiers of all ages.

WHEREAS, The Indiana General Assembly has appropriated a portion of Indiana's Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement revenue to the Indiana Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Trust Fund (hereinafter "Trust Fund") for use by the Executive Board to implement the long range state plan.

WHEREAS, The enabling statute (IC 4-12-4) creating the Trust Fund and Executive Board requires that the long-range state plan be based on Best Practices for Tobacco Control Programs as published by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

WHEREAS, Based on factors such as population, socio-demographic factors, and tobacco use prevalence and the types of comprehensive programs that have proven successful in other states the Best Practices for Tobacco Control Programs recommended in 1999 that the State of Indiana invest \$34.8 million annually in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

WHEREAS, The Executive Board has created and is implementing a statewide comprehensive tobacco control program which includes a statewide counter-marketing campaign, a youth movement, funding community programs in all of Indiana's 92 counties, funding minority focused programs, funding twenty statewide and pilot programs, conducting the Tobacco Retailer Inspection Program to reduce youth access, and funding a comprehensive evaluation of the entire program.

WHEREAS, In January 2003 the Indiana General Assembly will again make appropriations of Indiana's portion of the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Indiana Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Executive Board strongly recommends that the Indiana General Assembly appropriate \$35 million annually of Indiana's Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement revenue to the Indiana Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Trust Fund which is consistent with the Best Practices Guidelines published by the CDC and the amount appropriated in the Spring of 2000 when the General Assembly and Governor O'Bannon established the Trust Fund and Executive Board with the passage of SEA 108.

Effective on this _____ day of July, 2002.

Bain J. Farris
Chairman